

## North Cascades National Park Service Complex www.nps.gov/noca

## **Education**

The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.

## **Teacher to Ranger to Teacher Program**

Location: Washington

Partner(s): Washington's National Park Fund

Partner Website: www.wnpf.org

Total Cost: \$5,000 Proposal # 137681

Summary: This project will continue the successful piloting of the "Teacher to Ranger to Teacher" program in 2007 and will recruit another school teacher to spend eight weeks in the park developing curricula about the North Cascades National Park Service Complex and the National Park Service for use back in the classroom. This project will produce an educator who has formed a lasting connection to the park, and who is equipped with curricula to enhance student education and to broaden awareness of the national parks. The teacher is expected to reach nearly 500 students with newly developed curricula. This project will also result in mentoring and peer support for park interpreters and education specialists. The teacher, with an education degree and practical classroom experience, will help train, educate, and raise the quality of the park education and interpretation programs.

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2007 Teacher to Ranger to Teacher, Gwen Peterson shares the view with a young visitor.